



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of )

FABRICE BILLARANT )

Serial No. 10/688,483 )

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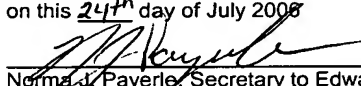
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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
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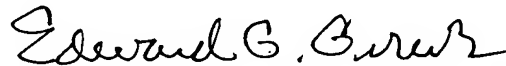
Sir:

The Applicant's attorney hereby requests an extension of time, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a), to allow the filing of the Applicant's enclosed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and Amendment B within the fourth month.

A check in the amount of \$910.00 is submitted herewith to cover both the fee as set forth in 37 CFR §1.17(a) and the RCE filing fee.

In the event that the enclosed fee is not sufficient, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-0987.

Respectfully submitted,



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